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1. WE DO NOT AGREE WITH COMMONWEALTH SECRETARIAT POSITION IN
REFTEL (A) THAT MALAYSIA CAN BE EXPECTED TO TAKE HARD LINE G-77
POSITION AT FORTHCOMING COMMONWEALTH SECRETARIAT MEETING.
MALAYSIA HAS TRADITIONALLY BEEN A MODERATE MEMBER OF THE G-77
THAT HAS AVOIDED RHETORIC IN ORDER TO OBTAIN RESULTS ON ISSUES
THAT IT CONSIDERS IMPORTANT. MALAYSIA, JUST BEHIND BRAZIL, IS
THE SECOND LARGEST PRODUCER OF COMMODITIES IN THE G-77 AND

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IS VERY INTERESTED IN OBTAINING GROUP B COUNTRIES' PARTICI-
PATION IN COMMODITY AGREEMENTS AND HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH

GROUP B COUNTRIES TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL RATHER THAN TAKEN A
CONFRONTATIONAL APPROACH.

2. MOREOVER, WE HAVE FOUND TAIB HIMSELF BOTH MODERATE AND
OBJECTIVE IN SEVERAL PERSONAL DISCUSSIONS WE HAVE HAD WITH
HIM ON NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES. HE IS NOT ABOVE MAKING AN OCCASIONAL
SHARP PUBLIC STATEMENT TO DEMONSTRATE MALAYSIA'S GENERAL SOLID-
ARITY WITH THE G-77 (ALTHOUGH HE DOES SO LESS THAN HIS IMMEDIATE
PREDECESSOR). BUT HE AND HIS GOVERNMENT ARE BASICALLY INCLINED
TOWARD PRAGMATISM, RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF U.S. COOPER-
ATION IN RESOLVING NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES.
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